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Lee

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Title: Fireplace Grate

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### AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination and corresponding fee in response to an outstanding Final Office Action dated **October 8, 2003**, the shortened statutory period for response set to expire on **January 8, 2003**. Accordingly, a petition for an extension of time and the corresponding fee are not believed due. However, if the Commissioner determines that any extension of time and/or fee is required, the applicant hereby petitions for the required extension of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge deposit account 13-4500, order 0506-4021 for the required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

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